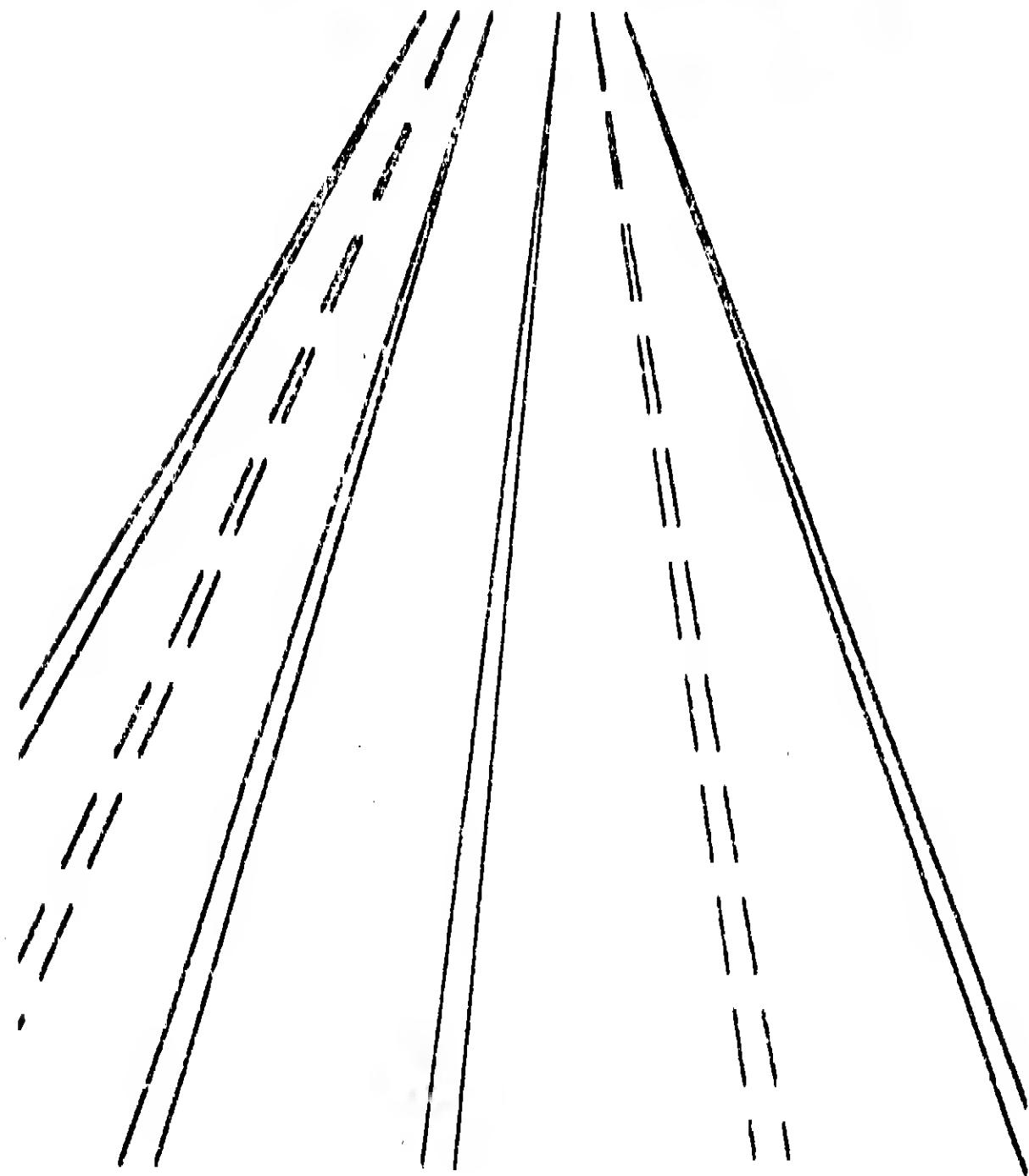


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Dot Happy is a gamezine dedicated to the play of postal Diplomacy. Diplomacy is a war game invented by Allan Calhamer and presently owned by the Avalon Hill Game Company.

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Hello!

A few interesting bits of news this issue. The first is something you probably haven't noticed above. The subscription price of DH is down to 25 cents per issue, at least temporarily. DH has shrunk considerably, and this price reflects this. If the issue size increases again, the price will rise again.

Will DH increase in size? I don't know. I am right now in the process of changing jobs. By the next issue, I will probably be working at a new place. I will know where by the time you get this. Needless to say, the change will impact my schedule tremendously, and I don't know what effect that will have on my time. More on this later.

As was mentioned last issue, this issue is one week late to allow for Origins/Diplocon last weekend. I had the pleasure of seeing many of you there, to those I did not, maybe next year. More on this later too.

This Issue:

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Ramblings

It's been quite a while since I have rambled on, but I have much to say this time, so here goes.

SUB RATES: As I mentioned last page, sub rates are reduced to 25 cents per issue, effective immediately. The sub rate will remain at this level unless DH grows to it's former size again. You are getting a warehouse zine at this point, so here's a warehouse price. To those people who are trading with me, if you want to continue to get DH, fine and dandy, but I certainly won't be insulted if you take your time and money elsewhere. For the present, new trades and subbers are not being encouraged.

ORIGINS: Arye and I went to Origins and had a pretty good time. This year I avoided the Fantasy Role Playing games (after some abysmal experiences at GenCon last year) and concentrated on Diplomacy (pick up games and the tournament) and playing Tiddlywinks. I also managed to get in a small amount of sightseeing. (I HIGHLY recommend seeing the Washington Temple to anyone who gets into the DC area. The Mormon Church has justified itself with that single piece of architecture alone. I have never seen any man-made structure that came close to combining the sheer impressiveness, beauty, and glory of the Washington Temple.)

I didn't do too bad in Diplocon. I got a two-way draw in the first round as France. The second round I got part of a 5-way draw as Turkey, despite being on the same board as "Liar Pearson". The second game was not as much fun as the first, though. The time constraints let to people looking to who could be cul out of the draw before the clock ran out rather than long-range goals. However, all in all I must applaud the "Committee of 1/2/3" and especially Mark Berch for a tournament well run. I have now run in tournaments under Berch, Robert Sacks (GenCon), and Jim Bumpus (Pacificcon). I would rate them Diplocon (best), Pacificcon, GenCon (pretty bad).

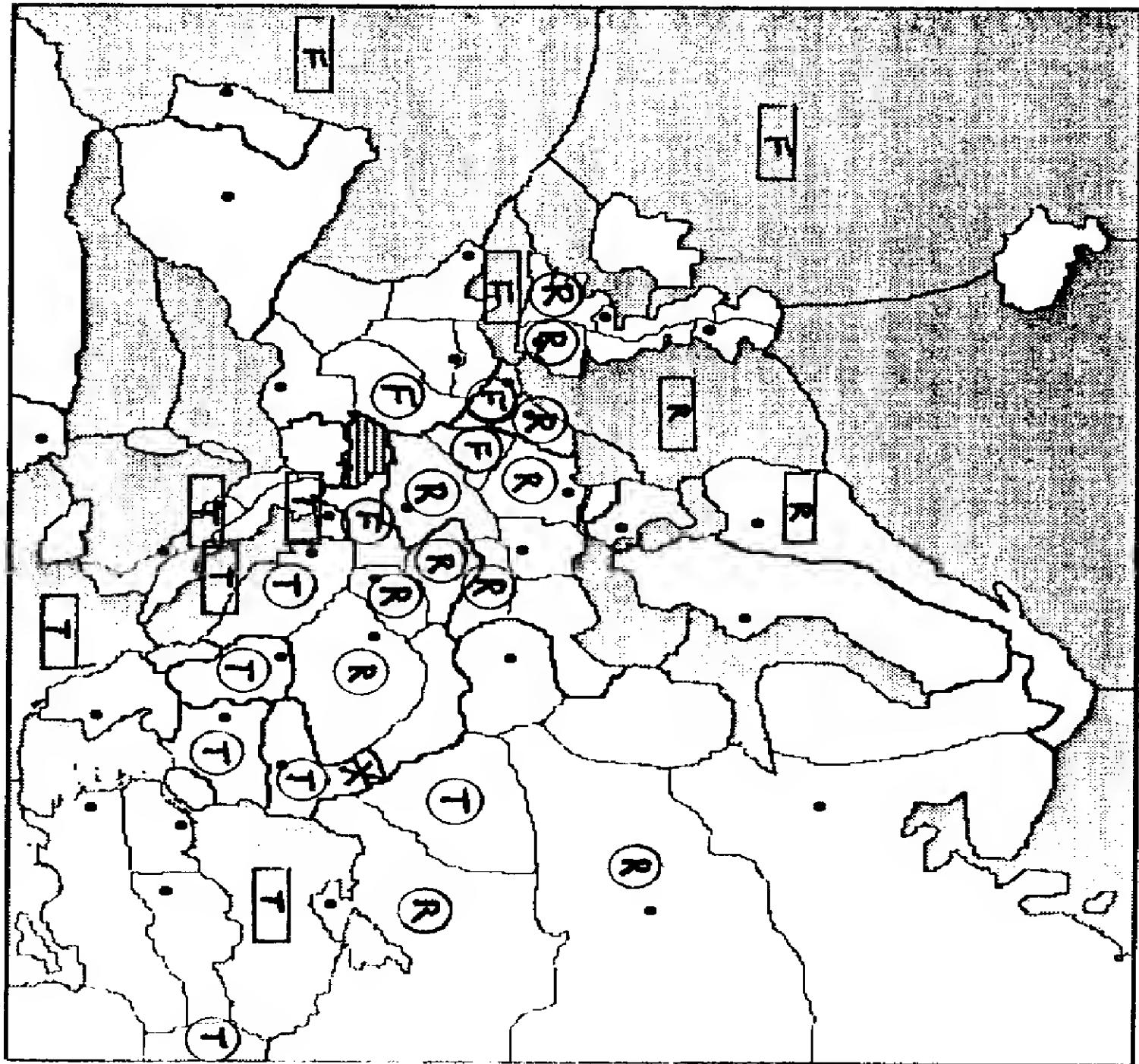
NEW JOB: Well, the interviewing is over. At this point I have two solid offers which I am quite torn between. Prime Computer (Natick) wants me to work for them in a team effort to develop a sophisticated Electronic Mail system to be incorporated, among other places, in their new word processing system they are starting development of. General Computer (Cambridge) is a computer arcade game company that creates new games, then licenses the games out to the big arcade companies. If any of you have ever played Ms. Pac Man or Super Missile Command, those are General Computer products. Normally I would not be interested in working at an arcade game company because all the work is done in assembler, but most of the work at General Computer is done in the language "C" on a 68000 based processor. By next issue I will know which it will be, in fact, I should be working at one or the other by then.

For those of you that are wondering, I will not be moving from my present address in any event (sigh!). I had hoped to be moving out to Silicon Valley this time, but the recession seems to have finally caught up with them, and most of the companies there aren't interested in relocating someone across the country when they have people to interview locally. So, I must endure MA for a while more (heavy sigh!).

Daddy Warbucks: 1980AS

Fall 1910

Deadline for the Russian retreat, Winter 10, and Spring 11 is Thursday 26 Aug.



Rumania changes hands once again as the Franco-Turkish alliance tries to stop the Bear! Sevastopol under seigell France has to make crucial disband as the Russian and Turk build. Can the Frenchman stop the Russian? Can the Russian stop the Turk??

4 THE GAMES

Daddy Warbucks: 1980AS

Fall 1910

DRAW DEFEATED: FRT
CONCESSION PROPOSED: R

Turkey (JADunn):	A Rum [r-Gal*];
France (Grabar):	F MATI-NATI*, A Rur*-Hol, A Bur* S A Tyr-Mun, A Tyr*-Mun, A Bel* S A Rur-Hol, F EnCh* S A Bel, F SpaSC-MATI*;
Russia (Albrecht):	A Mun* S A Kie-Rur, A Boh* S A Mun, A Hol* S F NthS-Bel, A Vie* S A Bud, A Lon* S A Wal, F NthS*-Bel, A Wal* S A Lon, A Kie*-Rur, A Rum S A Sev [r-??*], A Bud* S A Rum, A Sev* S A Rum, A Mos*-War, F Nwy*-NthS, A Sil*-War;
Turkey (JADunn):	A Tri*-Bud, F AdrS* S F Ven-Tri, F Tus-Rom*, F BlaS* C A Con-Rum, F Ven*-Tri, A Ser* S A Tri-Bud, F IonS* H, A Gal-Ukr*, A Arm*-Sev, A Bul* S A Con-Rum, A Con-Rum*;
France (Grabar):	home, Bel, Por, Spa, -Hol (6) Removes 1;
Russia (Albrecht):	home, Ber, Bud, Den, Edi, Kie, Lon, Lpl, Mun, Nwy, Swe, +Hol, +Vie, -Rum (16) Builds: 2 (one short);
Turkey (JADunn):	home, Bul, Gre, Nap, Rom, Ser, Tri, Tun, Ven, +Rum, -Vie (12) Builds 1 (one short);

Note: Russia can retreat to Galicia or OTB.

Deadline for the Russian retreat, Winter 10, and Spring 11 is Thursday 26 Aug. Two votes will separate Winter and Spring. Winter builds can be made conditional on the Russian retreat. Spring orders can be made conditional on the Russian retreat and the Winter builds.

Junipero Serra: 1981AT

Spring 1906

TURKISH STANDBY: Larry McCloud

Austria (Eaton):	A Bud* S A Ser, A Ser* S Rus F Rum-Bul [Inso], F Tri*-Alb, A Vie* S Ger A Mun-Tyr;
England (Hammer):	F Nwy-NthS*, A Mos H [r-??*], F EnCh-MATI*, F Tun*, F Por-SpaSC*, F SpaSC-WMed*, A Bre-Gas*, A Edi* H, F Lpl-IriS*, F Lon-EnCh*;
France (Blant):	A Bur-Rur*, A Ven*-Tri;
Germany (Kozlowski):	A Par* S Eng A Bre-Gas, F Pic-Bre*, F Kie* H, A Mun-Tyr*, A Sil* S A Ber-Pru, A Ber-Pru*;
Italy (Sampson):	F Rom* H, F TyrS* S Tur F AegS-IonS [Inso];
Russia (Hugh):	F Rum* H, A War* S A Sev-Mos, A Sev-Mos*;
Turkey (Noble):	NM!!! A Alb*, F BlaS*, A Bul*, F AegS*, A Gre*;

Deadline for the English retreat and Fall 06 is Thursday 26 Aug. Orders can be made conditional on who is playing Turkey.

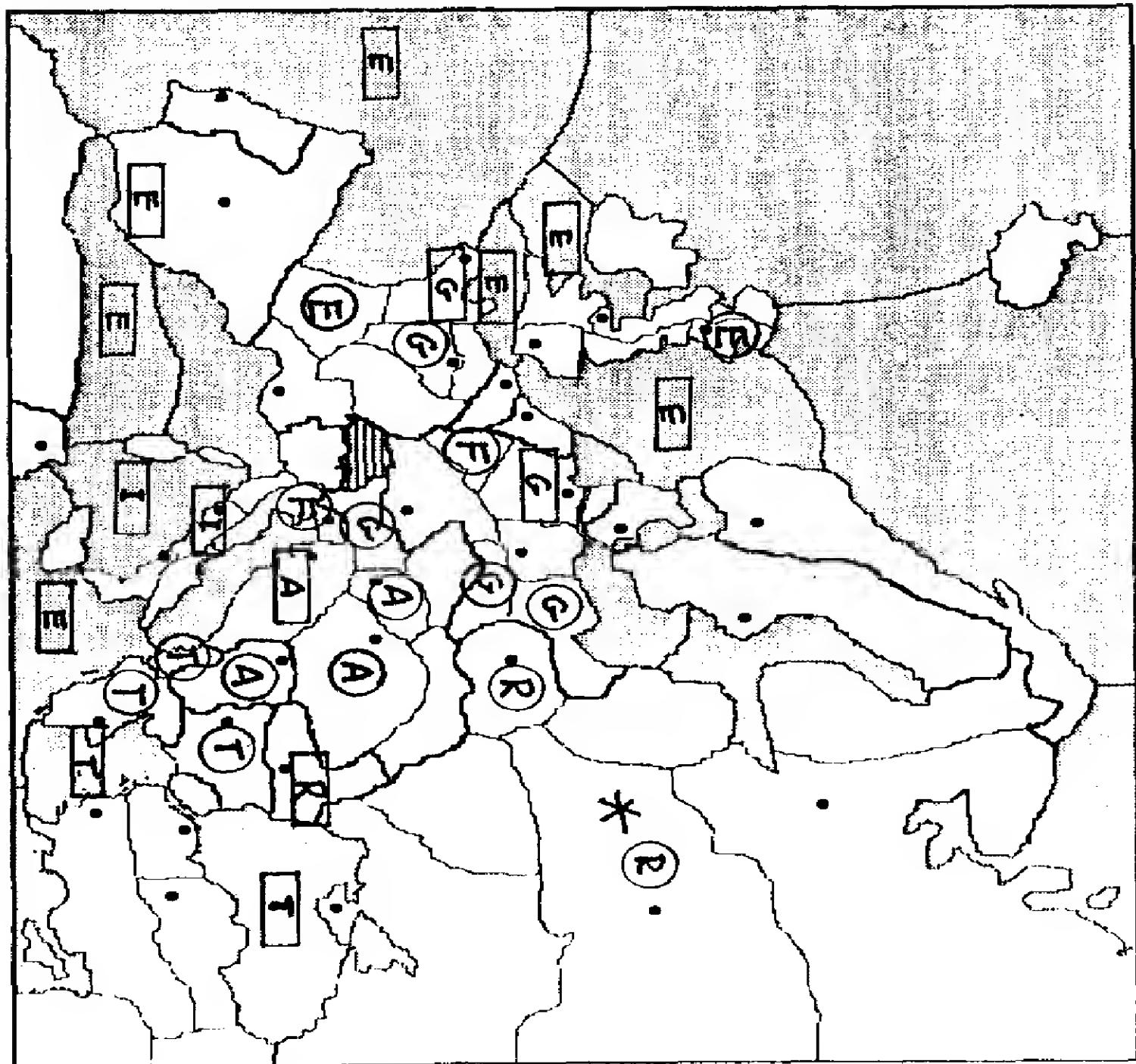
NOTE: I realize that this standby is yet another person from California. However, I am short enough on standbys that I no longer have the luxury of selecting them by region. Sorry.

Russia-World: Sorry for not writing to the embassy of Turkey - the same apology is extended to the Austrian embassy as the Russian Postal Service was

Junipero Serra: 1981AT

Spring 1906

Deadline for the English retreat and Fall 06 is Thursday 26 Aug.



Most of Europe returns from summer furl. England surrounds the map, but loses two supply centers! Turkish head of state in question! Russia under seige, but regains Moscow!

temporarily closed due to overwhelming storms on the home-front. These storms have now passed and the re-conditioning and resettlement of the Post Office has now been completed. The re-opening of our postal service shall commence in early August. Please accept my apologies for not responding.

Russia-England: Your proposal sounds interesting - could you please relate more details as to your future plans.

Germany-Russia: You won't get your "ultimate revenge". I'll never understand why people hold long-term grudges. However, I must - and will - deal with life the way it is (you do hold this grudge), and not the way I want it to be. Thus, I will make every effort to destroy you as quickly as possible. You did a good job of harming my position in 81CG - and you did it at the expense of your own position. You burned me once, but in the future I will take into account your hatred for me. I won't hate you back - you aren't worth the trouble.

Melbourne: Great cheers for the emerging Great British Empire! The Aussies are looking forward to a European Continent completely stabilized by their Motherland.

Garden State: 1981HD

Spring 1904

NOTE THAT BAUMEISTER IS BACK IN THE US!
SEPARATION OF SEASONS DEFEATED!

DRAW PROPOSED: EF

Austria (Conlon):	home, Ser	(4) Removes: A Vie;
England (Baumeister):	home, Bel, Hol, Nwy, Swe	(7) Builds: A Lon, A Edi;
France (Hugh):	home, Nap, Por, Spa, Tun	(7) Builds: A Mar;
Germany (Hammer):	home, Den	(4) Builds: A Kie;
Italy (Goodrich):	Rom, Ven	(2) Even;
Russia (Albrecht):	Mos, StP, War	(3) Even;
Turkey (Peery):	home, Bul, Rum, Gre, Sev	(7) Even;
Austria (Conlon):	F Apu*-Ven, A Bud* S Rus A Gal-Rum, A Tri* S F Apu-Ven, A Ser*-S Rus A Gal-Rum;	
England (Baumeister):	F HelB* S A Lon-Den, F Swe* S A Lon-Den, A Hol*-Kie, F NlhS* C A Lon-Den, F Nwy*-StPNC, A Lon-Den*, A Edi-Yor*;	
France (Hugh):	F Tun-TyrS*, A Tyr*-Ven, A Pie* S A Tyr-Ven, A Rur*-Mun, F Nap*-Rom, F NAF-Tun*, A Mar*-Bur;	
Germany (Hammer):	F BalS* S A Kie, A Mun*-Bur, A Ber* S A Kie, A Kie* spits on the French and English [imp]; NMR!!! A Ven*, A Rom*;	
Italy (Goodrich):	A Gal*-Rum, A Ukr* S A Gal-Rum, A Mos*-StP;	
Russia (Albrecht):	A Rum* S A Bul, A Arm* S F Sev, F Sev* S A Rum, F BlaS* S A Rum, F Gre* S F Ions, A Bul* S A Rum, F Ions* H;	

NOTE: There will be no standby called for Italy.

Deadline for Fall 04 is Thursday 26 Aug.

Aus-World: Ho-hum...YAWWWNNNN...Any body for a game of Risk?

Superman Press: What a revolting "Per"dicament this has turned out to be! Germany revitalizes itself with excellent defense and hangs on by the slimmest of margins. The big question is, "Will he be able to do it again?" [Answer: "Apples"]

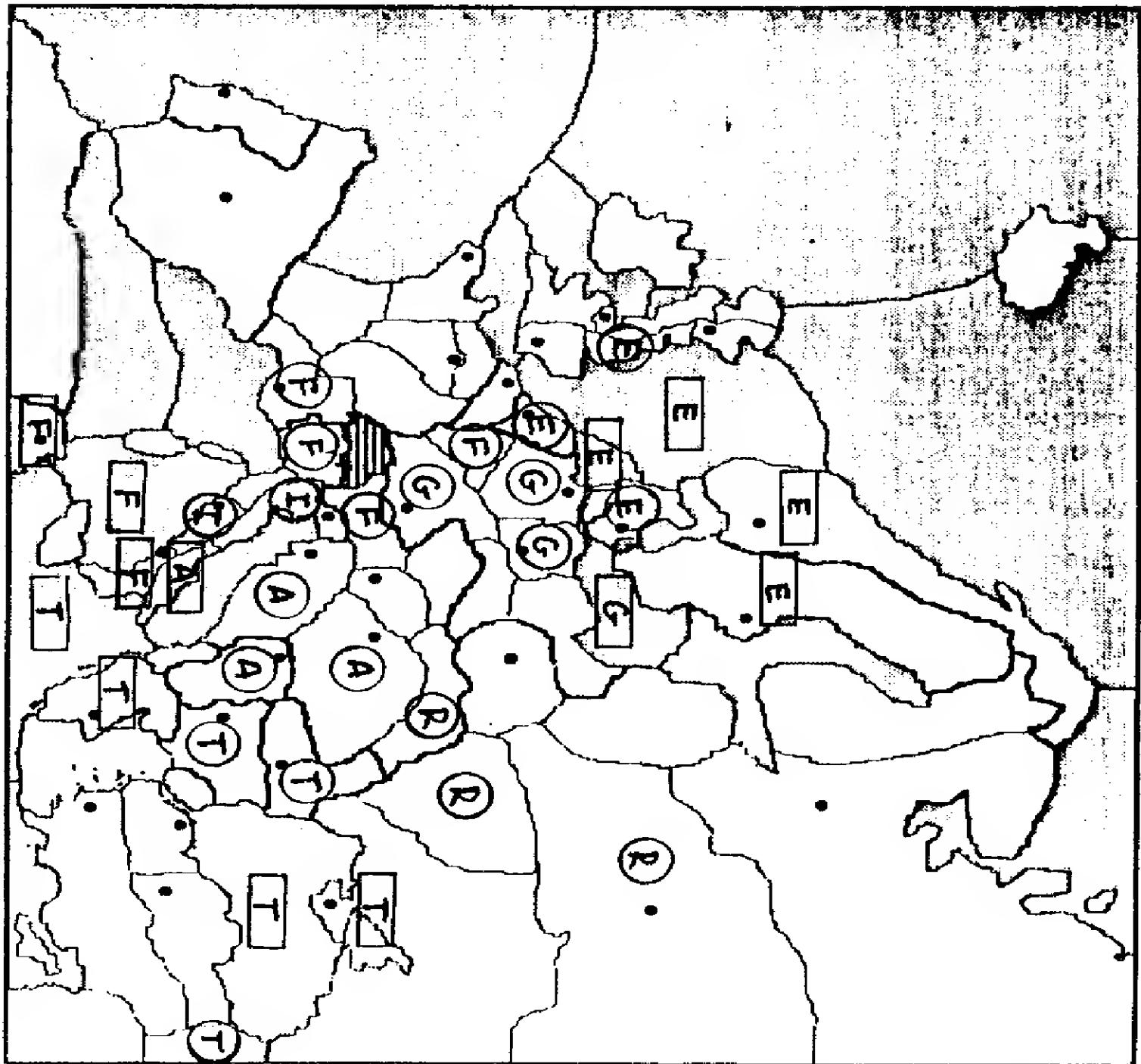
France-England: Uli, I surely hope that, after being in Germany for this past month, you haven't formed any good opinions about this blate country! We must kill de' Kaiser!!

Germany-World: I regret that I have but one life ...

Garden State: 1981HD

Deadline for Fall 04 is Thursday 26 Aug.

Spring 1904



A confused Italian army ducks for cover as everyone tries for Venice, and Italy keeps it! A massive, 8 unit maneuver around Rumania leaves everything as it was before the maneuver!! Germany being pushed back on the ropes, but still clinging on!!

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